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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Westchester Housing and Employment Center in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Lifting Up Westchester, located at 35 Orchard Street, White Plains, NY 10603. The funding would be used to support the construction of a facility to launch Job Central, a new, innovative employment center that will assist the unhoused and other low-income individuals searching for employment and become self-sufficient enough to avoid homelessness. Lifting Up Westchester's mission is to provide life-changing support to people who have lost their housing or are struggling to meet other basic needs. This project will entail rennocation of facilities, debris removal, wall removal/additions, window/blinds and door installation, and sheetrock repair. The goal of Job Central is to reduce the perpetual cycle of homelessness in Westchester County, by giving people the skills and support to be resilient, find and sustain living wage employment and henceforth maintain their housing long-term. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress